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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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 a. [] a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
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 - c. [] the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
 - d. [X] the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
 - e. [X] the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:

Please note that U.S. patent number 6,263,411 corresponds to 10-162507 and U.S. patent number 6,553,177 corresponds to JP 11-273246

5. [] A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

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